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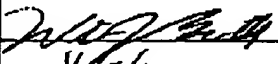
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 27, 2005**

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.